19 WEST GREEN STREET

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

NAME					
HISTORIC	l9 West Green Stree	et.			
AND/OR COMMON					
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LOCATIO	N				
STREET & NUMBER	l9 West Green Stree	et			
CITY, TOWN			CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT		
STATE	Westminster	nster vicinity of		COUNTY	
	Maryland		Carroll		
CLASSIFI	CATION				
CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRES	SENT USE	
DISTRICT _X_BUILDING(S)	PUBLIC <u>X</u> private	XOCCUPIED	AGRICULTURE COMMERCIAL	MUSEUM PARK	
STRUCTURE	<u>-</u> BOTH	UNOCCUPIEDWORK IN PROGRESS	COMMERCIAL	XPRIVATE RESIDENCE	
SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	ENTERTAINMENT		
OBJECT	IN PROCESS	XYES: RESTRICTED	GOVERNMENT	SCIENTIFIC	
	BEING CONSIDERED	YES: UNRESTRICTED NO	INDUSTRIAL M ILITARY	TRANSFORTATIONOTHER.	
OWNER C	F PROPERTY				
NAME W	illiam A. Shaeffer		Telephone #:		
STREET & NUMBER	West Green Street				
CITY, TOWN	estminster _			zip code	
		VICINITY OF	Marylar	nd 21157	
LOCATIO	N OF LEGAL DESCI	KIPIION	Liber #: 168		
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STREET & NUMBER	ser Carroll Count	y Office Build	ing		
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CITY, TOWN			STATE	.1	
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REPRESE	NTATION IN EXIST	ING SURVEYS			
TITLE	None				
DATE		FEDERAL	STATECOUNTYLOCA	L	
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS					
CITY, TOWN			STATE		
					

CONDITION

CHECK ONE

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_EXCELLENT
XGOOD

__DETERIORATED
__RUINS

_XINALTERED

X_ORIGINAL SITE

__FAIR

__UNEXPOSED

__MOVED DATE____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This five bay pile is located on the south side of West Green Street in Westminster at the intersection of that street with X Alley. It is a fine late sample of the local vernacular form. The north (principal) facade consists of ten regularly spaced bays, (five per floor). The entrance is the central ground story bay. It is a many-paned glass door located beneath a small glass rectangular transom and flanked by smooth white pilasters. A delicate cornice tops the door and is supported by extremely elongated, pelleted scroll brackets. The other bays are all two over two doublehung sash windows with white wooden sills and simple enframement. Hooks reveal the former existence of shutters, but there are no shutters now. A delicate saved strip of leaf-stars runs along the roof's simple eaves; the roof is gable and is covered with silvery rolled tin. A simple flat capped furnace flue, (formerally chimney) rises at the roof's eastern peak flush with the wall.

The east and west facades of this main section are blind. It was stated that this house was a late survivor of vernacular style; this is true, but there are variations present. One such variation is that the standard L is not. strictly speaking, an L, as it is about 5 feet east of the principal sections western edge. (This is due to its sitting very close to X Alley.) The western side of this "L" has one 2/2 window in the center of each of its two floors, and a small four light window lights the attic to the south. The eastern facade still has its original two tier porch, approached on each floor by a glass and aluminum storm door. The south facade of the principal section which overlooks the two tier porch has one 2/2 window per floor. The leaf-star trim found on the eaves of the principal facade is continued all about the building. To the rear of the building, in its small lot, is a very Latinlooking garden: everything is closely planted together beyond a flourishing grape arbor which is used to shade the patio.

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—PREHISTORIC —1400-1499 —1500-1599 —1600-1699 —1700-1799 X 1800-1899 X 1900-	_ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC _ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC _AGRICULTURE _ARCHITECTURE _ART _COMMERCE _COMMUNICATIONS	—COMMUNITY PLANNING —CONSERVATION —ECONOMICS —EDUCATION —ENGINEERING —EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT —INDUSTRY	LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE LAW LITERATURE MILITARY MUSIC PHILOSOPHY POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	RELIGIONSCIENCE
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Nothing appears to indicate this house's presence on the 1876 plat of the City; on April 19, 1884, George Hoppe and others sold lots 5 and 4 of Mathias' Addition to George Orstuch for \$850 (Carroll County Deed Book 61, Page 30), and Orstuch sold the same lot on the same day, for \$400 less to Milton Shaeffer (61/32). Shaeffer would keep title until September 6, 1899, when he sold the place for \$325 to Susan Wilson (89/453). Ten years later Wilson's trustee (she was declared a lunatic) sold to Ezra C. Brown for \$735 on September 16, 1909 (112/357; this transaction is interesting as it represents the first increase in price). Brown sold to Caroll N. Lockard on March 18, 1919 (135/50), who ran into difficulties, so his trustee sold to Martin L. Minters for \$1700 on March 1, 1924 (143/197). Minters sold the house to Cora B. Amphrazes on May 9, 1929 (152/381) and her heir, Thomas A. Amphrazes, sold to the present owners family on March 12, 1938 for \$2300 (168/83).

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY						
10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA						
ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY						
VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION						
Being the northwest corner of lot number 5 of J. T. Mathias' Addition to the City of Westminster as shown on a						
plat in the Real Estate and Mortgage Records of Carroll County						
in Book 3, Page 55.						
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